

**CITY OF LANDER
WORK SESSION MEETING
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY
HALL 240 LINCOLN STREET
LANDER, WY 82520
July 23, 2019**

**THE CITY OF LANDER IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
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Governing Body Present: Mayor Monte Richardson, Council President Cade Maestas, Vice-President Dick Hudson, Council Members Dan Hahn, Chris Hulme, John Larsen, Missy White

Governing Body Absent:

City Staff Present: City Attorney Adam Phillips, Assistant Mayor RaJean Strube Fossen, City Treasurer Charri Lara, City Sarah Edlund, Police Chief Thomas Shroyer

1. Staff & Council Updates

City Clerk Edlund gave update on Transfer of Liquor License Application submitted. Treasurer Lara gave update on her training in Oklahoma.

Public Works Director Hopkin gave update on new loader that the City is purchasing it. Low bidder on the lining project was Bornhoft we are looking through the subcontractors.

Assistant Mayor Strube Fossen we reached 66,000 people with our Facebook video of the 4th of July.

Chief Shroyer we are aggressively trying to recruit new employees. The school board is having a meeting tonight and we have officers attending that meeting. Hoping to make a job offer tomorrow for our SRO position, but that employee will not be ready to be in the schools at the start.

Council Member Larsen, the 1% money work is looking really well. The roof looks great on City Hall.

Council Member White, for the golf course board June turned out to be a great month for them. Our PD did a great job on the 4th. Would like the City to consider consolidating where camping is allowed in our City park.

Public Works Director Hopkin we do have designated areas it is supposed to be in the back, but it is very hard to regulate as some come in after dark and we do not currently enforce that.

Council Member White maybe some updated signage.

Council Vice-President Hudson, speaking to that we need to look at the payment schedule we have for these big events. The fees don't cover the costs of the big events. Also have concerns with the home on Lincoln Street.

Attorney Phillips, from what I have been told is that they want to tear the home down by end of September.

Council Vice-President Hudson the senior center would like us to do some

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landscaping on the island in their parking lot. My last item is the flag installation at the Cemetery.

Public Works Director Hopkin, were the lightning struck that memorial I would recommend that you put a plaque on the spot where it was damaged.

Council President Maestas, I want to make sure council is approving the major purchases that are made. Even though they are in the budget, council should get to do a final approval. I would like to have a procedure set when that occurs and dollar thresholds of when that needs to happen.

The housing board's management company of Pushroot, are making some changes regarding policies. The feds have informed them they have to do a review of their rates. If the City gets any contact regarding these concerns please refer them to the management company.

Council Member Hulme, also regarding the senior center there is a tree causing heaving in one of the sidewalks that needs to be addressed. On the final recommendations for the TAP and the goals that were listed in that report can we get another update in the future regarding those projects. On the sharrows that are on 9th and Main the arrows seem to be directing the bikers to Main.

Council Member Hahn, the airport, the stripers are in town and they should be done in the next few days and the airport will be closed.

Assistant Mayor Strube Fossen they will start tomorrow and the airport could be closed up to 5 days.

Treasurer Lara, we hope to have the fuel system up and running hopefully around August 1st.

2. Census Presentation

Tammi Hanshaw with the US Census Bureau gave update on the importance of the census for our communities. Complete count committees have several tools that are available to them through the census.gov website. They are to act as a public outreach group to assist the community on education of how important the census count is for each community.

Council Member Larsen you talk about counting each person once and only once.

How are you going to keep track of that?

It is all tracked by address and each address will only be counted once.

3. 1% Infrastructure Discussion

a. Resolution

Mayor Richardson, Interested in what council thinks about making our 1% tax permanent. Attorney Phillips gave brief on what state statute requires to make it permanent. There are 5 or 6 counties that have done this in the state.

Council President Maestas gave background on why the city is looking at moving this direction.

Attorney Phillips the next step would be to get the County on board.

b. Change order to 1% Street work, Fremont Street

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Public Works Director Hopkin we are going to remove 2nd street, and adding in Fremont Street. It is looking to be about a 400K change order. This will get the road paved and asphalted from City limits to 5th Street. Council President Maestas I would say bring it with pending legal recommendation.

4. State Lands Discussion

a. Wyoming Life Resource Center Water and Sewer Utilities

Public Works Director Hopkin, we have an agreement with the WLRC that we are taking care of their sewer line. The line is at the end of its lifespan. We need to address that agreement and their future. Right now they only pay for one tap and have 50 others behind that. They give us more water back than what we supply.

Attorney Phillips, there are some state statues that may need to be reviewed.

They utilize the cemetery ditch for irrigation.

b. Land

Public Works Director Hopkin, this is in regards to the land around the LEDA park and the WLRC that is state owned. If the city is looking at redesigning the infrastructure of that location we need to look toward the future expansion of the city.

Council President Maestas we are not in a special session so we cannot adjourn to an executive session. So therefore we cannot have an executive session tonight.

Discussion was held on city investment on properties the city does not own, particularly parks and future investments.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm.

The City of Lander
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By: _____
Monte Richardson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah Edlund, City Clerk

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